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Liberty Development Project -
Submittal of Final Development and Production Plan

Dear Mr. Walker:

BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. is pleased to submit this final Development and Production Plan (DPP) for our proposed Liberty Project. This version of the DPP is an update of our January 30, 1998 submittal, and incorporates changes requested in your letter of February 11, 1998. We appreciate the thoroughness of your comments, and we believe that the requested changes have improved the overall quality of our application.

As you requested, we are forwarding:

- 45 copies of the Development and Production Plan (plus 2 unbound copies)
- 45 copies of the Environmental Report (plus 2 unbound copies)
- 45 copies of the Oil Spill Contingency Plan

We plan to submit results of the geotechnical, shallow hazards, archaeological, and biological surveys conducted in support of the DPP as soon as reports are available.

In addition, in accordance with the requirements of 30 CFR 250 (b)(13) and 15 CFR 930.76, I certify that:

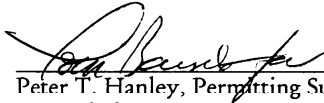
The proposed activities described in detail in this plan comply with the State of Alaska's approved coastal management program(s) and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program(s).

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Again, submittal of this first application for oil field development on the Alaskan Outer Continental Shelf is an important milestone for BPXA. We look forward to working closely with your agency as review of this application and the National Environmental Policy Act process gets underway. We are committed to working closely and positively with you as we enter the review and approval phase of this important project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Karen Wuestenfeld at 564-5490.

Sincerely,


Peter T. Hanley, Permitting Supervisor
HSE-Alaska

Attachments